Träumerei Scans
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KUROTANTEI

Chapter 27

Raws/scans ..... Nico
Translation ..... Swash
Cleans ..... Raegan
Typeset ..... Soot
QC ..... Soot

Case.27
The Shadows of the Past

bark
Slurp

BASICAL-LY..
place
AND TO PREVENT THAT, KUROBA WENT OUT OF HIS WAY TO FIND YOU?
THE EARL IS CURRENTLY AFTER YOU
NO, THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEAN
EVEN IF YOU SAY THAT THE EARL IS SEEMINGLY AFTER YOU...
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT...
...

glance
I'M AN ENEMY OF HIS PARENTS, RIGHT?
YET HE'S STILL HELPING ME
IS IT OKAY FOR YOU TO BE DOING THIS?
I MEAN, HAD YOU NOT STEPPED IN, YOUR REVENGE WOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED
DON'T YOU..
HATE ME?

YOU THINK I DON'T?
I'M NOT LETTING YOU ESCAPE FROM EVERYTHING THROUGH THE COMFORT OF DEATH
UGH
IF YOU DID DIE, THE PUZZLE WILL NEVER BE SOLVED RIGHT?
?
AND..

The answer to why you killed my dad-
No, why you killed Kuroba Tobari
...
A LOT OF NEWSPAPERS SUSPECTED THAT HE WAS ENVIOUS OF PROFESSOR KUROBA'S SUCCESS
BUT THAT'S NOT ALL, RIGHT?
ISN'T THERE A REASON THAT YOU'RE HIDING?

I DON'T REALLY CARE ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS TO YOU
BUT WON'T YOU AT LEAST TELL ME WHY BEFORE YOU DIE?
WON'T YOU EXPLAIN WHY YOU KILLED HIM?
clench
WHAT EXACTLY HAPPENED THAT DAY?
Sigh
NO ANSWER, HUH

!!
SINCE ITS COME DOWN TO THIS, I GUESS I'LL GO AROUND INTERROGATING YOUR FAMILY
THEY'RE ALREADY CARRYING THE BURDEN OF MY CRIMES, DON'T MAKE THEM HOLD MORE!
NO! MY FAMILY HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THIS!
I CAN'T BEAR TO SEE THEIR SUFFERING ANYMORE
HMMM, TO THINK I'D HEAR THAT FROM YOU
YOU DESTROYED MY FAMILY AND YET...
THAT WAS...

HE.. HE WAS AN EYESORE
KU-
I HAD SPENT MOST OF MY LIFE ON RESEARCH-ING, AIMING FOR THE TOP..
YET HE DISREGARDED MY PROGRESS AND TOOK THE TOP!
SWYPE
YOU...
Anger
BUT HE KEPT, JUST KEPT OBSTRUCT-ING ME
HAD HE NEVER EXISTED I WOULD'VE BEEN ABLE TO GAIN FAME!

EEK
STAB
WHY DID I...
DECIDE TO PROTECT THIS SCUM?

GEEZ
I UNDER-STAND WHY THE EARL IS AFTER HIM
SHIT
KUROBA-KUN...
UGH...
DROP
!?
AS I SUSPECTED, I GUESS THIS IS MY FATE NOW

SLAM
YOU REAP WHAT YOU SOW!!
YOU TOO PROFESSOR, IF YOU DON'T WANT TO DIE YOU BETTER BE CAREFUL
WE'LL PROTECT YOU IF WE HAVE TO, BUT
...
WE NEED TO BE CAREFUL, HE MIGHT EVENTUALLY KILL HIM
Sigh
I DON'T THINK SO
I'M NOT SURE IF WE CAN
I'M PRETTY SURE THE EARL HAS BEEN TRACKING PROFESSOR'S MOVEMENTS
AH
WE SHOULD PROBABLY HARBOR HIM SOMEWHERE ELSE HUH

WE NEED TO HIDE HIM
ANYWAY, WE HAVE ONE WEEK
ONE WEEK
THIS ONE WEEK WILL DECIDE MY FATE

YOU'LL COME TO ASUKA'S GAME, RIGHT?
I DOUBT I'LL BE ABLE TO
THAT'S FINE, BUT..
SORRY, BUT I'LL BE LATE AGAIN TODAY
SIGH...
BUT...
SOCCER BEARS NO IMPORTANCE
I'M WORKING ON SOMETHING CONFIDENTIAL
click
IT CAN'T BE HELPED

bam
vroom
sigh
MY BAD, ASUKA
run run run
IT CAN'T BE HELPED
And here's the news
Due to a traffic accident please expect delays of up to an hour
Press
HUH?
A/C
ON/OFF
AUTO

yaaaawn
IT'S..
DID YOU PULL AN ALL-NIGHTER AGAIN?
SHOULDN'T YOU TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF MORE?
ESPECIALLY SINCE YOU'RE OF OLD AGE
WHY DO YOU ALWAYS INCLUDE THAT ONE SNARKY COMMENT
THAT'S WHY YOU DON'T HAVE FRIENDS

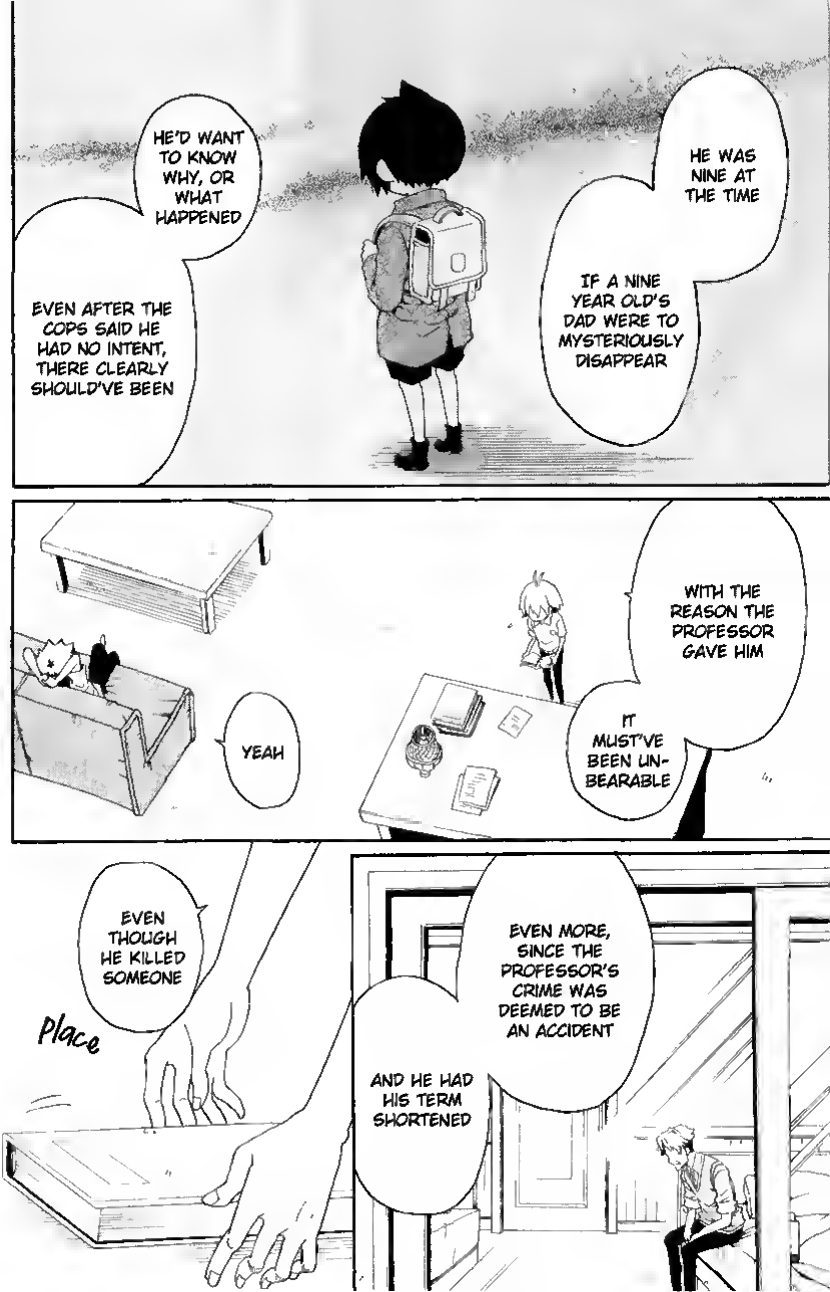
ITS JUST THE PROJECT I'M WORKING ON RIGHT NOW IS SO FUN
RIGHT ON THE MARK, HUH
I'M JUST TAKING THE SECURITY SYSTEM CREATED BY THE PROFESSOR AND OPTIMIZING IT
THE FACE THAT THE PROFESSOR MAKES WITH EACH EDIT IS SO FUNNY
KU KU KU
BAH YOU DON'T HAVE FRIENDS EITHER, DO YOU
ANYWAY, IF YOU EVER GET FIRED, YOU COULD BECOME A THIEF
beep beep
KUROBA-KUN
I ACTUALLY DID CONSIDER THAT AT SOME POINT
I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU

HELLO YOU-KUN
GOOD MORNING
GOOD MORNING
GOOD MORNING, ARE YOU HEADING TO THE STATION NOW?
SLIDE
OH PROFESSOR
IT SEEMS THAT THE TRAIN WILL BE DELAYED, DO YOU WANT A RIDE?
click
DON'T MIND IF I DO
AS USUAL ,YOU DON'T HAVE ANY RESERVE, HUH
ZZZ
BYE THEN, YOU-KUN

bow
YES
GOOD LUCK WITH YOUR STUDIES
THANKS FOR DRIVING MY FATHER
vrrooom
HAVE A GOOD TRIP

step
step
tap
tap
WHOOSH
I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN
I SHOULD'VE KNOWN THAT WAS THE LAST TIME I'D SEE HIM

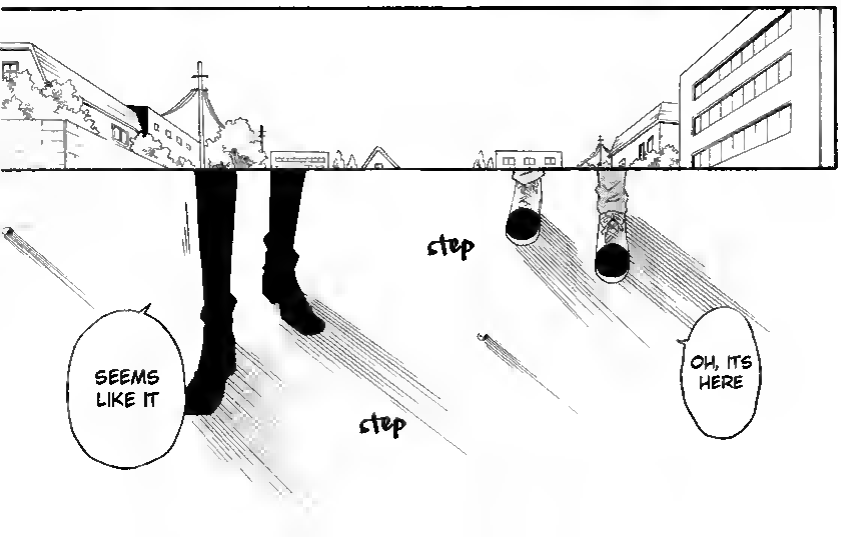
HEY
USAMI-KUN
DID KUROBA BECOME A DETECTIVE
BECAUSE HE WANTED TO FIND OUT THE TRUTH BEHIND HIS FATHER'S DEATH?
MAYBE


HE'D WANT TO KNOW WHY, OR WHAT HAPPENED
EVEN AFTER THE COPS SAID HE HAD NO INTENT, THERE CLEARLY SHOULD'VE BEEN
IF A NINE YEAR OLD'S DAD WERE TO MYSTERIOUSLY DISAPPEAR
HE WAS NINE AT THE TIME
YEAH
IT MUST'VE BEEN UN-BEARABLE
WITH THE REASON THE PROFESSOR GAVE HIM
EVEN THOUGH HE KILLED SOMEONE
Place
AND HE HAD HIS TERM SHORTENED
EVEN MORE, SINCE THE PROFESSOR'S CRIME WAS DEEMED TO BE AN ACCIDENT

HE ONLY HAD TO SERVE SEVEN YEARS
THIS IS..
THERE'S A CHARCOAL STOVE IN THE EVIDENCE
WAIT..
MAYBE
COULDN'T THEY HAVE CONCLUDED THAT HE HAD MURDEROUS INTENT?
IF HE PREPARED A STOVE LIKE THIS

IT IS POSSIBLE TO THINK THAT THE STOVE WAS SET UP TO MAKE IT LOOK LIKE A SUICIDE
BUT THE PRO-FESSOR DENIED IT.
THERE WAS EVEN EVIDENCE THAT IT WAS USED
THEN HE REALLY!!
sigh...
OH.. I SEE
IT'D BE RATHER HARD FOR CO2 TO ACCUMULATE
HE WAS ABLE TO PROVE THAT DUE TO THE NATURE OF THE ROOM,

BUT THEN AGAIN
IT COULD BE AN IMPORTANT PART TO THIS PUZZLE
ALSO...
THE STOVE WAS SIMPLY IN HIS CAR, IT MIGHT BE TOTALLY UNRELATED


step
step
SEEMS LIKE IT
OH, IT'S HERE

THIS IS THE APARTMENT THAT THE PROFESSOR'S FAMILY RESIDES IN CURRENTLY
IT'S DESOLATE AND SPARSE
I'M SURPRISED NENE WAS ABLE TO FIND THIS PLACE
THE HOME OF MURDERERS...
HUH?

EVEN IF THEY DIDN'T DO ANYTHING, IN SOCIETY'S EYE THEY'RE THE FAMILY OF A MURDERER
TO FIND SOMEWHERE THAT WOULD HARBOR THE FAMILY OF A MURDERER PROBABLY EVENTUALLY LED THEM HERE
knock
knock
silence
MAYBE THEY'RE NOT HERE?

bzzzzzz
OR THEY'RE PRETENDING
step
THEY MIGHT DO THIS EVERY SINGLE TIME
SHOULD WE COME BACK LATER?
HM?

KOKON ASUKA-SAN?
ARE YOU
WHAT'RE YOU GUYS DOIN IN FRONT OF MY HOUSE
glance
tsk
AREN'T YOU THE SON OF THE GUY MY DAD KILLED?
WAI- I KNOW YOU
BUT WE HAVE TO TALK AWAY FROM MY MOM
I'LL LISTEN TO WHATEVER YOU HAVE TO SAY
COME WITH ME!

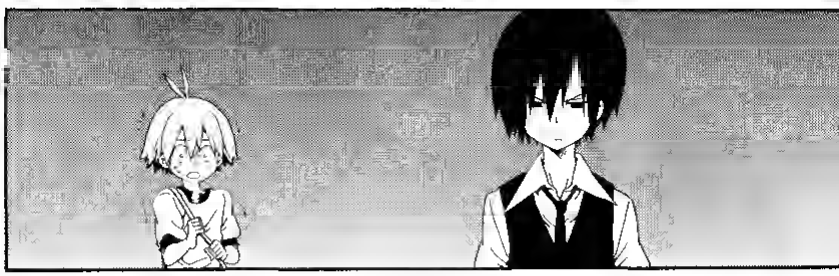
fshhh
LET ME SAY THIS FIRST
IT'S ALL MY DAD'S FAULT
I WON'T APOLOGIZE ABOUT THE CRIME
drink
...
WE'RE KIND OF VICTIMS TOO
ALTHOUGH YOU'RE THE MAIN VICTIM
THAT'S GOOD THEN
I WASN'T REALLY PLANNING ON HAVING YOU APOLOGIZE

SO WHAT DID YOU WANT TO KNOW?
HIS MOTIVES? EVEN IF YOU ASK I'VE GOT NO CLUE EITHER
HOW WAS THE PROFESSOR AT HOME?
FROM WHAT I SAW, IT DIDN'T SEEM LIKE THE PROFESSOR AND DAD WAS ON BAD TERMS
HE WAS ONE OF THOSE, WORKAHOLICS
TO BE HONEST I CAN'T SAY. HE WAS RARELY HOME

I'D RATHER HAVE HAD HIM STAY THERE THAN COME HOME
IF HE LIKED THE LABRATORY SO MUCH HE SHOULD'VE JUST LIVED THERE
HE DIDN'T CARE ABOUT HIS FAMILY. IT WAS ALL WORK WORK WORK
HE EVEN WENT ON TO KILL SOMEONE!
HE WAS A PERSON WHO DIDN'T NEED SAVING

WE GOT ENDLESS DEATH THREATS. PEOPLE THREW ROCKS AT US. SOMEONE EVEN STALKED ME
ON TOP OF THAT, WE WERE ENDLESSLY PERSECUTED JUST BECAUSE WE WERE RELATED
THE HOUSE THAT I HAD LIVED IN WAS NO LONGER SAFE
IT WAS ALL DAD'S FAULT
BUT EVEN STILL! WHY'D I HAVE TO RUN AWAY?
crush
SQUEEZE
I EVEN HAD TO QUIT HIGH-SCHOOL
MOVE SEVERAL TIMES

HE SHOULD'VE DIED A LONG TIME AGO!
BECAUSE OF HIM, I LOST MY FUTURE



grip
YOU'RE FULL OF SCORN BECAUSE YOUR DAD WAS KILLED, RIGHT?
RIGHT?

COULD YOU KILL HIM?
COULD YOU..

WHY DON'T YOU?
SLAP
THANKS FOR THE STORY
I'M NOT STUPID ENOUGH TO REPEAT PAST MISTAKES

THE FATHER AND THE SON
TOIRO-KUN
WHAT EXACTLY SHOULD I BE PROTECTING?
rustle
rustle
rustle
KUROBA-KUN

I SEE...
KUROBA-KUN WENT TO VISIT THE SON, HUH
ASUKA-KUN, WAS IT?
SEEMS LIKE HE WENT THROUGH SOME HARDSHIP AS WELL
IT'D BE GOOD IF KUROBA-KUN DOESN'T GO INTO SHOCK
I WONDER IF HE'S OKAY
HE'S PROBABLY FINE. HE'S STRONG-MINDED
clatter
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEAN.

I FEEL AS IF HE MAY END UP KILLING HIS FATHER
THERE IS STILL THAT POSSIBILITY AFTERALL
I MEANT KOKON ASUKA-SAN
I MEAN HE SEEMS TO HARBOR HATE AGAINST HIS DAD
IF HE WERE TO DIE, THE EARL WOULD HAVE NO PURPOSE
THAT PROBABLY WON'T HAPPEN
THAT KID HAS NO COURAGE
Smile
I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT
Shuffle
BACK TO RE-ALITY

IS THE PROFESSOR STILL AT THE DETECTIVE AGENCY?
YES
THEY'LL PROBABLY BE SEARCHING FOR A DIFFERENT HIDING PLACE RIGHT NOW
WE DID PUT SOME SCOUTS AROUND THE PLACE
IT'S FINE WE DID PREPARE SOME MEASURES BEFOREHAND
AT THIS POINT I WOULDN'T BE SURPRISED IF HE LEAPED INTO OUR TRAP.
CONSIDERING EVERYTHING'S GOING AS PLANNED
Place

IN THE CASE THAT KUROBA ACCIDENTLY LOSES SIGHT OF THE PROFESSOR, GIVE HIM THIS HINT
rustle
OH RIGHT...
UH..
ARE YOU SURE ABOUT THAT?
WE HAVE TO GIVE THEM A FIGHTING CHANCE, DONT WE?
REGARDLESS, WE'LL EVENTUALLY HAVE TO CONDUCT A NOBLESSE OBLIGE

UH.. EARL
IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE I CAN DO?
HM. I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANYTHING REALLY
I APPRECIATE YOUR OFFER
I SEE..
THEN I'LL TAKE MY LEAVE
shut

THE EARL HAS HIGH HOPES FOR YOU
WE'RE WILLING TO SUPPORT YOU GUYS AT ANY POINT
KUROBA-SAN WERE TO COME TO OUR SIDE...
IF-

We'll eventually have to conduct noblesse oblige
grip
Would I still be the Earl's assistant?

We need to give him a fighting chance
HE SHOULD BE ABLE TO FIGHT ON HIS OWN
NO

The only ones who are needed next to the Earl
are those who are capable

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